DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION Olympia, Washington

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Medical Assistance Administration

Subject: Vendor Rate Increase for Home Health Agencies

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2001 the Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) will implement a two and one-tenth percent (2.1%) vendor rate increase as authorized by the 2001-2003 Biennium Appropriations Act.

MAA is currently rewriting the <u>Home Health Services Billing Instructions</u>. Please use the attached fee schedule until the new billing instructions are published. To obtain this fee schedule electronically, go to MAA's website at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov.

Please bill MAA your usual and customary fee. Reimbursement will be the lower of the billed charge or the maximum allowable fee.

Fee Schedule

The following rates are established for the two regional classifications of home health agencies: Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and Non-Metropolitan Statistical Area (Non-MSA). The rates are as follows:

July 1, 2001

	Skilled Nursing Intervention	Skilled, High-Risk Obstetrical Nursing	Brief Nursing Visit	Flu Vaccine	Physical Therapy	Speech Therapy	Occupational Therapy	Home Health Aide
Revenue Code:	00551	00558	00580	00590*	00421	00441	00431	00571
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA – RATES PER VISIT								
Bellingham	\$86.11	\$86.11	\$18.92	\$6.67	\$77.82	\$84.52	\$80.14	\$47.19
Bremerton/ Kitsap	76.00	76.00	18.92	6.67	68.68	74.59	70.78	41.67
Olympia	81.93	81.93	18.92	6.67	74.06	80.43	76.27	44.91
Richland/ Kennewick	78.69	78.69	18.92	6.67	71.14	77.26	73.28	43.18
Seattle/ Everett	86.77	86.77	18.92	6.67	78.42	85.17	80.75	47.54
Spokane	86.53	86.53	18.92	6.67	78.32	85.05	80.64	47.49
Tacoma	83.56	83.56	18.92	6.67	75.51	82.03	77.77	45.80
Vancouver	86.94	86.94	18.92	6.67	78.86	85.65	81.20	47.82
Yakima	79.50	79.50	18.92	6.67	71.82	78.06	74.02	43.57
NON-METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA - RATES PER VISIT								
Non-MSA	\$86.43	\$86.43	\$18.92	\$6.67	\$81.14	\$87.79	\$88.83	\$41.60

^{*} Home health agency providers may receive reimbursement for administering flu vaccine injections to appropriate MAA clients at sites such as senior and neighborhood centers.